

REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed February 19, 2010 in which claims 1-4, 6-14 and 18 were allowed; claim 17 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph; claims 15-17 and 21-22 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Entrekin (US 2004/010193)); and claim 19 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Entrekin. In this amendment, claims 15-17, 19 and 21-22 are canceled. No new matter has been added.

Claims 1-4, 6-14 and 18 remain pending in this application. Reconsideration in light of the amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing reasons set out above, Applicants respectfully submit that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes that anything further is needed to place the application in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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